



# Mineral Wells Police Department

## 2015 Annual Report



## Message from the Chief

### Honorable Mayor, Members of the City Council and Citizens of Mineral Wells:

It is my pleasure to present to you the Police Department's 2015 Annual Report. I hope you will find this report to be an informative glimpse into the statistics, activities, and accomplishments of your police department during the past year. It is an honor and privilege to work with some of the finest, most dedicated officers in this area as we continue to partner with the citizens, City staff, and other area law enforcement agencies to improve the quality of life in this community.



In 2015, the City of Mineral Wells saw an overall 19% decrease in Part I crimes when compared to the prior year. Notably, the overall crime rate in this community has **dropped over 45%** in the last 4 years and marks **the lowest crime rate Mineral Wells has experienced in the past two decades**. I attribute these decreases in crime to the hard working men and women of your police department and most importantly to our great citizens who care enough to get involved and help make a difference. Accolades for the year include Mineral Wells being recognized by the **NICHE group** as one of their **"2015 Best Places to Live – TOP 100" in Texas**, and also included recognition as one of the **"Safest Towns in Texas"** among the same group. Great things are happening here, so pay no attention to the naysayers! They find what they seek...

I also want to give a special mention to the efforts of those caring citizens and applaud them for their accomplishments. It is through these partnerships and collaborative efforts we are seeing incremental change toward the Mineral Wells you desire and deserve. For example, the **BOUNCE!** initiative brought together more than 70 young people to help with the Project 365 effort. These leaders of tomorrow came from all over and as far away as New Mexico and Louisiana to participate in our Project 365. Thank you to Pastor Nathan Buchanan, First Baptist Church – Mineral Wells, for facilitating this tremendous outpouring of support. And, our very own **PRAY MINERAL WELLS** has been a phenomenal supporter since the inception of this program. 2015 saw their continued prayer walks and clean-up efforts rid the streets of an enormous amount of blight and debris. Way to go **MISSION MINERAL WELLS!** Combined, they added another 80 tons of trash to the total. All of these great folks selflessly gave of their time and energy with the purpose of helping residents clean up, fix up, and restore their neighborhoods. Job Well Done!

Speaking of improvements, the Animal Shelter and the many wonderful supporters who have assisted in this cause during 2015 are most assuredly among our **Most Valued Partners** worthy of mention. Through working with the **Palo Pinto County Humane Society** and their advanced rescue and adoption network, your Animal Shelter has made a spectacular turn around over the last few years. **Adoptions alone have increased over 40%**, as the euthanasia rate continues to decline to over 55% and in spite of impound rates remaining static. This represents collaborative problem solving at its finest. Great job everyone!

**Working together, we have made Mineral Wells a safer community in which to work, live, and play.**

Looking forward, we will forge ahead to continue building stronger relationships in the community, expanding our outreach through education and intervention, stressing the importance of crime prevention all while fostering the valuable partnerships we hold that focus on improvement here in Mineral Wells.

I can assure you the men and women of this department will continue working hard to bring our residents and visitors alike professional law enforcement service and we will strive to sustain the safety in this community that we all value.

Stay safe,



Dean A. Sullivan  
Chief of Police



## From the Desk of the Mayor



### Greetings:

On behalf of all the citizens of Mineral Wells and the City Council, I am pleased to receive the Mineral Wells Police Department Annual Report for 2015. We commend and thank the men and women of the Mineral Wells Police Department for their outstanding achievements in the past year, and for their service in providing the highest level of public safety to all our citizens and businesses.

The 2015 Annual Report highlights the progress we have made in reducing crime and the development of community partnerships to help enhance the quality of life in Mineral Wells. The occurrence of Part I crimes has declined over the past few years, to levels unseen in twenty years. These improvements have occurred in spite of some of the social and economic challenges we have faced. The Police Department has continued to work diligently and respond proactively to citizen concerns.

I would also like to recognize all of the excellent community partners who have contributed in this effort. The City Council and I are very appreciative of the strides made to improve conditions in the various neighborhoods impacted by Project 365, for the positive interactions among our local ministers through their united 4th Responders program, and especially to everyone who has been a part of the turnaround at the animal shelter. Words can hardly describe how impressed we are with the great things happening in our town.

I extend my sincere appreciation to the men and women of the Mineral Wells Police Department. This City Council and the entire community understand that it is your professionalism and dedication to serving every day of the year that makes our city a safe place to work, live, and play. We stand behind you and we support you.

Thank you all from the bottom of my heart.

Sincerely,

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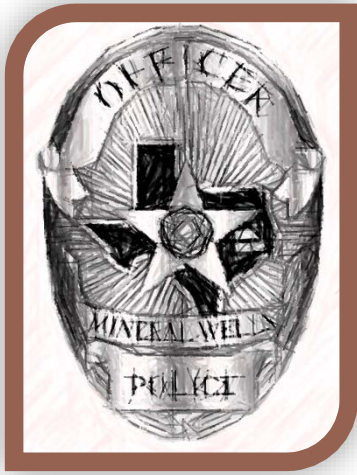
Mike Allen  
Mayor

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## Mission and Values



### Mission

*It is the mission of the Mineral Wells Police Department to protect the rights of all persons within its jurisdiction to be free from crime, to be secure in their possessions, and to live in peace. By pursuing the goals of education, prevention, enforcement, and community partnership, it is the primary objective of the Mineral Wells Police Department to pursue the ideal of a community free from crime and disorder in a fair, responsive, and professional manner. We will strive to make the City of Mineral Wells safe for all citizens who work, live, and play here.*

### Organizational Values

- RESPECT:** *A genuine respect for oneself and for others is essential to the realization of the Department's organizational goals.*
- ACCOUNTABILITY:** *Every employee is accountable to all other employees for their individual organizational actions and performance.*
- EXCELLENCE:** *In order to achieve our Departmental goals, every employee must continually strive to exhibit organizational excellence and expected behavior.*
- GROWTH:** *The achievement of the organizational goals and the health of the Department is dependent upon a recognition of the employee need for growth and development.*
- MANAGEMENT:** *Our organization places high value on a situational management style.*
- INNOVATION:** *Innovation and risk-taking are supported and encouraged in the achievement of the organizational goal.*
- EMPOWERMENT:** *Decision-making should be at the lowest appropriate level, and individuals must be willing to accept personal responsibility and organizational accountability for their decisions and actions.*
- TRUST:** *Shared organizational success is borne of organizational trust, healthy competition, teamwork, and open communication at all levels of the organization.*

## Financial Information and Staffing

	Adopted Budget FY 14-15	Expenditures FY 13-14	Percentage Change
<b>GENERAL FUND – POLICE DEPARTMENT</b>			
Salaries and Wages	\$ 2,422,220	\$ 2,310,372	5 %
Supplies and Expenses	\$ 62,400	\$ 60,400	3 %
Programs and Services	\$ 175,150	\$ 169,280	3 %
Capital Expenditures	\$ 50,000	\$ 19,000	163 %
<b>TOTAL – POLICE DEPARTMENT</b>			
General Fund	\$ 2,709,770	\$ 2,559,052	6 %

### Budget highlights:

- Salaries & Wages increase relates to Insurance, Longevity, added MWISD SRO (P/T)
- Supplies & Expenses directly related to increased Supply and Utilities costs
- Programs & Services increase attributed to Animal Control, Laundry, & Maintenance
- Capital Expenditure increase related to renovation/repairs of PD headquarters

## Staffing

<b>Chief of Police</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Lieutenants</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Sergeants</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Corporal/Detectives</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Officers</b>	<b>15.5</b>
<b>Telecommunicators</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Animal Control</b>	<b>3</b>
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<b>TOTAL -</b>	<b>38.5</b>





## City Government



**Mike Allen**  
Mayor



**John Upham**  
Mayor Pro-Tem



**Wayne Johnson**



## City Council



**Thomas Lively**



**Brian Reagan**



**Tammy Underwood**



**Clif Wright**

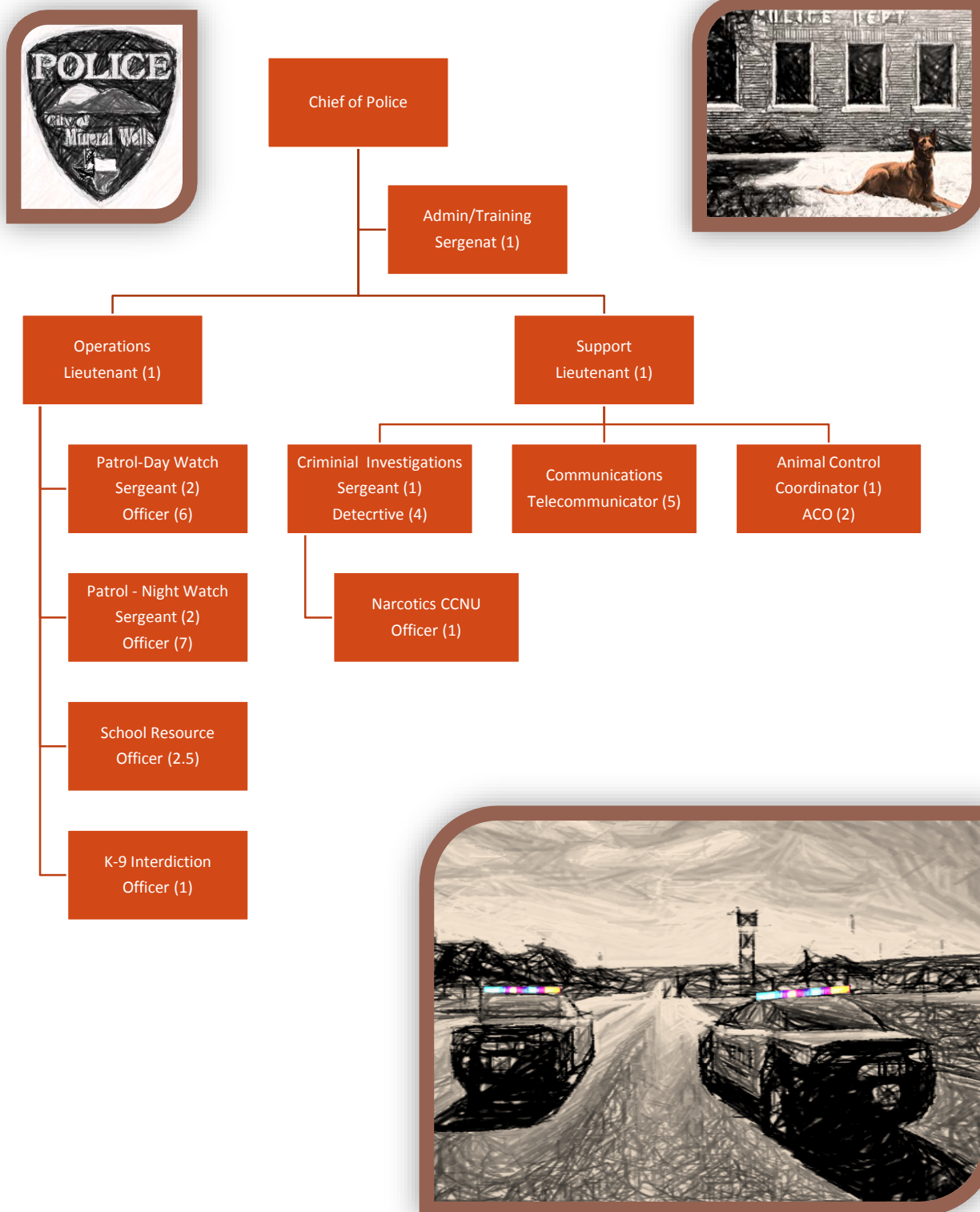
### City Manager's Office:

Lance Howerton, *City Manager*  
Juanita Formby, *City Clerk*





## Organizational Chart



## Community Policing Philosophy

In 2012, the Mineral Wells Police Department took initial steps towards restructuring their policing strategy by developing a comprehensive and thorough analysis of prior tactics, current trends and the development of new goals deemed vital for the future policing of Mineral Wells. This ambitious endeavor was instituted by directing operations to incorporate the concept of Neighborhood Policing along with other processes impacting the city at the most basic levels while maintaining the highest standards of law enforcement.

The end results have, by far, exceeded expectations; the police department has gained an entirely new perspective under the philosophy of community oriented policing through the promotion, creation, and expansion of community partnerships, collaboration, and problem solving.



Community policing has a long and interesting history laden with both success and failures. In essence, community policing is a philosophy which attempts to integrate the police directly with the community for problem solving at all levels, from the sole resident or visitor walking down the street to the multi-million dollar businesses and property owners who call the community home. This must also apply to the police department, whereas all ranks and positions are committed to the city as a whole, not just select individuals such as the Chief, Commanders or even specific Patrol Officers.

To accomplish this goal, community policing uses a variety of tactics and strategies that are usually unique to a specific community. It is important to note, community policing is a model which must be adapted to the needs of a specific area, neighborhood, or community interest because crime in Mineral Wells is not the same as crime in Fort Worth, Weatherford, and elsewhere. Therefore, community policing takes on individualized characteristics to achieve success.

## Programs and Partnerships

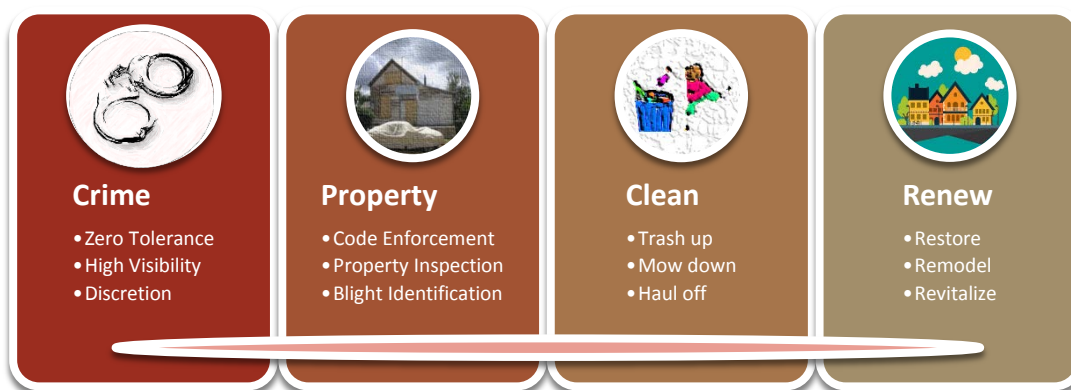
### PROJECT 365

Critical to the keys for success are the partnerships formed and relationships maintained.



The “Project 365” Program is a proven example of the shifting paradigms in Mineral Wells. Tackling the most challenging crime areas of town, this novel approach has addressed many chronic crime issues that have plagued this community for a number of years. In fact, over the past three (3) years, police, community leaders, dedicated residents, and a host of volunteer groups have worked together tirelessly to lower crime and improve the overall quality of life in the identified neighborhoods of concern. With each year-long effort, incremental change has occurred.

This program follows a four-phased approach to crime reduction and neighborhood improvement:



### Formula for Safe Neighborhoods

Project 365 is the targeting component of the National Night Out program. This component helps communities identify specific problem areas and work together to resolve those problems over the next 365 days. Continuing goals of the National Night Out program are to refine crime prevention campaigns in communities, to identify and document successful crime prevention strategies, to expand Project 365, to disseminate information about successful community-based crime prevention strategies, and to provide technical assistance on crime prevention program development. Mineral Wells is a proud participant in the National Night Out campaign and we are thankful our Project 365 efforts have yielded success!



**We are Mineral Wells and working together we help make our community safe.**

## Programs and Partnerships (continued)

### CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY

The Mineral Wells Police Department has found education and information sharing are effective tactics in gaining understanding and support from the community. The Citizen Police Academy offers citizens an insight into the performance and duties of our officers and further expands the knowledge of just how the department serves our community. Our CPA Alumni are among our most valuable partners as we work together to keep this community safe.



#### MISSION

The purpose of the Citizen Police Academy is to foster better communication between citizens and police through education. The Academy will create a nucleus of well-informed citizens who possess greater insight into police practices and services. Graduates of the Academy can share their knowledge and experiences with the community as the opportunity arises. Everyone benefits from enhancing citizen understanding of the role and function of their police department.

#### PARTICIPATION

Upon making application and acceptance into the CPA program, citizens are provided twelve weeks of class room and hands-on instruction. This instruction is comprehensive, covering a different area of Police work each week. Certified police officers, supervisors, and civilian instructors with particular expertise share information on a variety of topics, including: Criminal Law, Patrol Procedures, Narcotics Investigations, Emergency Response/Tactical Vehicle Operation, Criminal Investigations, Crime Scene Processing, Community Services, and Firearms. All classes are absolutely FREE.



*Congratulations Graduates of the  
22<sup>nd</sup> Citizens Police Academy Class!*

A vital part of the Academy is participation in role playing and scenarios. These simulations provide an opportunity for a unique "hands-on" learning experience. And each citizen is afforded the option, on a voluntary basis, to ride-a-long with a patrol officer on the street during a shift, along with an in-depth tour of the Palo Pinto County Detention Center. It is a great learning environment and a chance to get better acquainted with your Mineral Wells Police Department.



## Programs and Partnerships (continued)

### 4<sup>th</sup> RESPONDERS

The 4th Responders program is a ministry of the Mineral Wells Ministerial Alliance in partnership with the Mineral Wells Police Department.



#### MISSION

The 4th Responder Ministry exists to love and support the citizens of Mineral Wells through a diverse group of volunteer clergy and lay people working in partnership with the Mineral Wells Police Department.

#### MEMBERS

4th Responders are comprised of members of a diverse group of volunteer clergy and lay people who are willing to work in partnership with the Mineral Wells Police Department. There are currently 15 active members.

#### PURPOSE

- Building relationships with Emergency Service Responders (EMS, Fire, and Police) and the citizens of Mineral Wells in emergency situations.
- Encourage the community's participation in crime prevention efforts and other diverse community needs.
- Provide ministerial and social services to victims and families of crime and emergency situations.
- Pray for city leaders, emergency responders, and citizens of Mineral Wells.



MINERAL WELLS  
4<sup>th</sup> Responders

## Programs and Partnerships (continued)

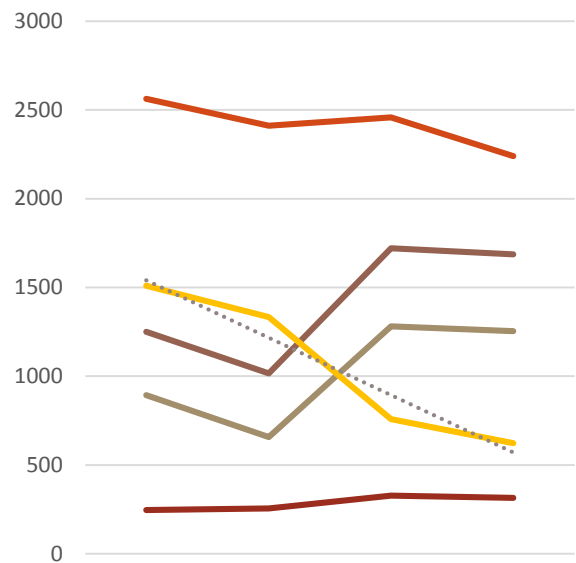
### Animal Shelter

The goal of Mineral Wells Animal Control is to provide service to the citizens and animals of the greater Mineral Wells area through the professional operation of the Animal Shelter. This goal is achieved through animal care, enforcement, control, and reunification programs. These services include, but are not limited to: Stray recovery, Adoption, Redemption, Lost and Found services, Public Education, Taking and processing calls and requests for service, and the Euthanasia of animals (when necessary).

Through our partnerships with the Palo Pinto County Humane Society and a host of caring rescue groups, the shelter has demonstrated tremendous improvement over the last few years, as exemplified below:



Number of Animals



	2012	2013	2014	2015
IMPOUNDS	2562	2411	2457	2239
Returned to Owner	247	256	328	315
Adoptions	893	657	1281	1254
Total Returned/Adopted	1251	1016	1720	1687
(Euthanized)	1509	1334	758	623
Citations Issued	36	94	111	98
Financials	\$29,505	\$37,377	\$54,570	\$50,796

Animal control and shelter programs are established for the sake of public health and safety to improve the quality of life in a community. It is imperative that local governments provide animal control services. It is up to city and county governments to provide mechanisms to resolve conflicts that will protect both people and animals. Be a responsible pet owner, have your pet spayed or neutered today!

## Programs and Partnerships (continued)

### Drug Drop-box Program

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), 100 people a day die from drug overdoses in the United States. The CDC also reports that drug overdose death rates have tripled in our country since 1990. Amazingly, according to the CDC, drug overdoses now kill more Americans than motor vehicle crashes.

A major portion of the prescription drug overdose problem is the non-medical use of prescription medications. This would include using prescription medications that were prescribed to another person or using these powerful medications just to get “high”. Many young people who abuse prescription medications are under the mistaken assumption that because they are prescribed, they are safer than illicit drugs. Most abusers of prescription medications obtain them from people they know, or from their own family medicine cabinet.

In addition, improper disposal of unused prescription medications can lead to contamination of the watershed which presents a risk to both aquatic life and the general public.

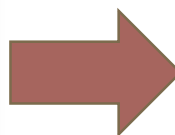
To help combat these issues, the Mineral Wells Police Department has partnered with CVS Pharmacy and is participating in a city-wide medication collection program. We have a secure medication disposal box located in the lobby of City Hall that the public can use to dispose of their unused medications. The medications deposited in the box are packaged, weighed, and transported to an approved disposal site. The list of accepted materials for drop off include: household prescription medications, over-the-counter medications, pet medications, vitamins, supplements and Epi pens.

The Mineral Wells Police Department collection site became operational in the late of 2014, and to date has collected nearly 200 pounds of expired and/or unused medications. Thank You CVS Pharmacy!

# Unused



# Expired



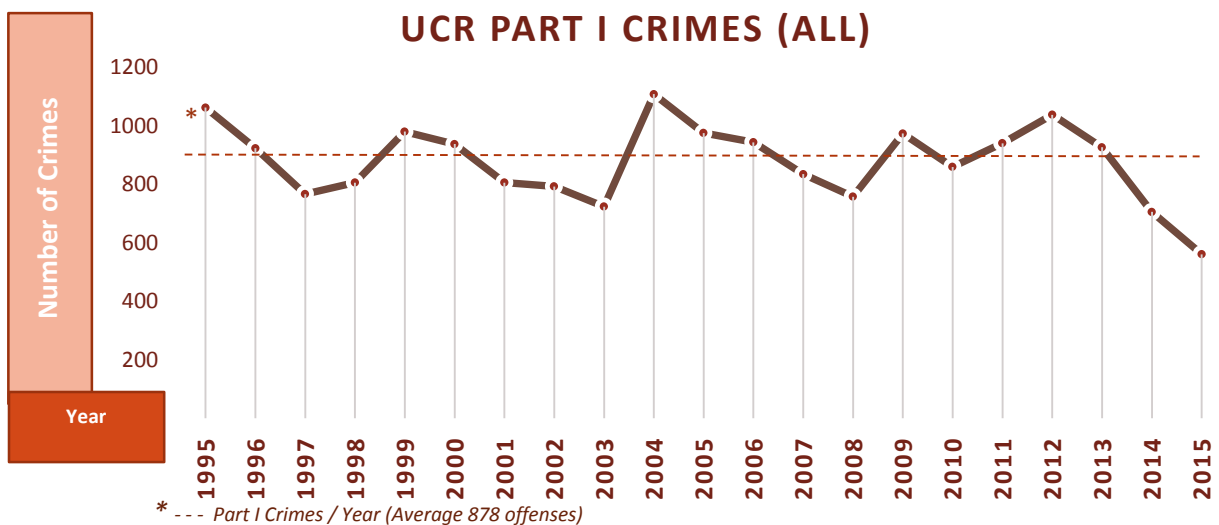


## Crime Statistics and Activity

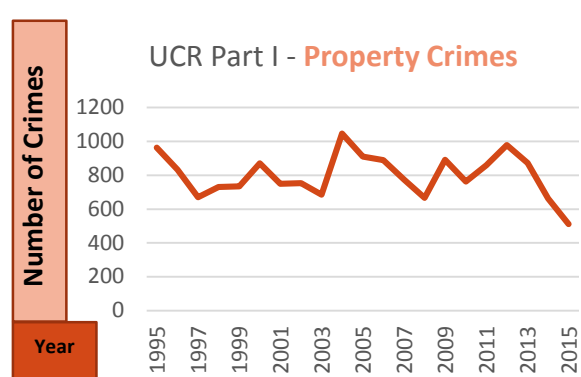
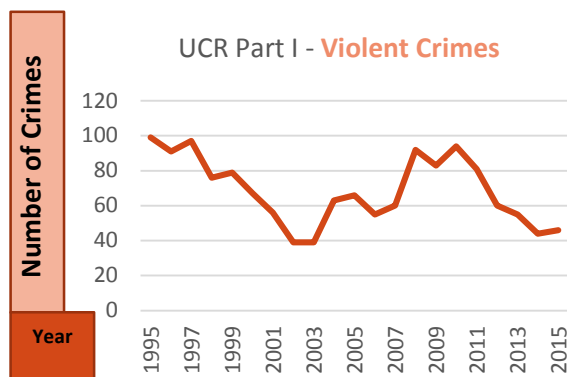
### Uniformed Crime Reporting

The FBI's UCR Program is a nationwide, cooperative statistical effort of more than 18,000 city, collegiate, county, state, tribal, and federal law enforcement agencies voluntarily reporting data on crimes brought to their attention. Since 1930, the FBI has administered the UCR Program and continued to assess and monitor the nature and type of crime in the Nation. The program's primary objective is to generate reliable information for use in law enforcement administration, operation, and management; over the years, however, the data has become one of the country's leading social indicators. Criminologists, sociologists, legislators, municipal planners, the media, and other students of criminal justice use the data for varied research and planning purposes. The seven UCR Part I offense classifications include the violent crimes of murder and non-negligent manslaughter, forcible rape, robbery, and aggravated assault and the property crimes of burglary, larceny-theft, and motor vehicle theft. The Mineral Wells Police Department participates in the FBI UCR program as part of its commitment to transparency and accountability.

Historical perspective of crimes committed per year in Mineral Wells, Texas.



Perspective of each sub-category of crimes committed in Mineral Wells, Texas over the same period.



## Crime Statistics and Activity (continued)

Comparison of UCR Part I Crimes, Activity, and Enforcement in 2015 versus 2014

OFFENSE	2015	2014	% Change
Criminal Homicide	0	0	N/C
Rape	10	5	100.00%
Robbery	5	10	-50.00%
Aggravated Assault	31	35	-11.43%
<b>TOTAL VIOLENT CRIME OFFENSES</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>-8.00%</b>
Annualized Viol. Crime Rate Per 1-K Pop	<b>2.81</b>	<b>2.98</b>	<b>-5.70%</b>
Burglary	111	158	-29.75%
<i>Residential</i>	63	93	-32.26%
<i>Building</i>	48	65	-26.15%
Burglary Motor Vehicle	74	62	19.35%
Other Thefts	303	390	-22.31%
Auto Theft	24	29	-17.24%
Arson	1	1	0.00%
<b>TOTAL PROPERTY CRIME OFFENSES</b>	<b>513</b>	<b>640</b>	<b>-19.84%</b>
Annualized Prop. Crime Rate Per 1-K Pop	<b>31.37</b>	<b>38.16</b>	<b>-17.79%</b>
<b>TOTAL PART-I OFFENSES</b>	<b>559</b>	<b>690</b>	<b>-18.99%</b>
<b>ACTIVITY SUMMARY</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>% Change</b>
Annualized Part-1 Crime Rate Per 1-K Pop	<b>34.18</b>	<b>41.14</b>	<b>-16.92%</b>
Part-1 Offenses Cleared	198	297	-33.33%
Stolen Property	\$686,651	\$744,209	-7.73%
Recovered Property	\$99,413	\$180,409	-44.90%
<b>% Of Property Value Recovered</b>	<b>14.5%</b>	<b>24.2%</b>	<b>-40.08%</b>
Juvenile Arrests-Except Runways	41	28	46.43%
Adult Arrests*	1253	963	30.11%
<b>TOTAL ARRESTS*</b>	<b>1294</b>	<b>991</b>	<b>30.58%</b>
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY INCIDENTS</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	
Citizen Requests For Service	13767	14326	-3.90%
Officer Initiated/Field Generated CFS**	17661	22355	-21.00%
<b>**Total Call-For-Service Activity:</b>	<b>31428</b>	<b>36681</b>	<b>-14.32%</b>
Priority-1 Avg. Total Response Times	7:00	6:32	7.14%
Priority-1 Avg. Patrol Officer Response	3:53	3:40	5.91%
Major (Injury) Accidents Dispatched	74	71	4.23%
Minor Accidents Dispatched	371	389	-4.63%
<b>Total Traffic Accidents:</b>	<b>445</b>	<b>460</b>	<b>-3.26%</b>
<b>Proactive Policing</b>			
Traffic Stops	4356	3911	11.38%
Neighborhood, Park, & Business Checks	2454	2898	-15.32%
All Other Officer Initiated Activity	15207	19457	-21.84%
Traffic Stops Cleared By Citation	601	873	-31.16%
Traffic Stops Cleared By Warning	2638	2069	27.50%

Part I crimes are classified in accordance with the FBI Uniform Crime Reporting standards into categories: Violent Crimes and Property Crimes. The specific offenses which make up each category are listed in the table above.

## Crime Statistics and Activity (continued)

Arrest activity by offense class and median offender age over a 3 year period in Mineral Wells, Texas. The percentage difference changes are compared to the 2015 totals for both 2014 and 2013.

	2015			2014			AGE % DIFF		2013			AGE % DIFF	
	Total	Avg Age		Total	Avg Age	% DIFF			Total	Avg Age	% DIFF		
All Arrests	Class A	158	33	Class A	118	31	34%	5%	Class A	77	32	105%	1%
	Class B	257	32	Class B	193	31	33%	2%	Class B	128	32	101%	-1%
	Class C	609	33	Class C	434	32	40%	3%	Class C	398	33	53%	2%
	Felony 1	20	32	Felony 1	12	31	67%	2%	Felony 1	6	32	233%	0%
	Felony 2	25	34	Felony 2	21	27	19%	27%	Felony 2	20	34	25%	0%
	Felony 3	63	33	Felony 3	48	35	31%	-6%	Felony 3	23	31	174%	5%
	SJF	105	33	SJF	89	31	18%	6%	SJF	56	30	88%	9%
	Non-Reportable	15	39	Non-Repo	12	33	25%	20%	Non-Repo	4	29	275%	36%
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1252</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>927</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>712</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>76%</b>	<b>6%</b>
Drug Related	Class A	15	25	Class A	17	25	-12%	0%	Class A	8	30	88%	-17%
	Class B	34	27	Class B	42	26	-19%	4%	Class B	21	29	62%	-7%
	Class C	35	30	Class C	18	27	94%	11%	Class C	1	40	3400%	-25%
	Felony 1	6	35	Felony 1	5	26	20%	35%	Felony 1	0 N/C	~	~	~
	Felony 2	7	32	Felony 2	5	34	40%	-6%	Felony 2	1	42	600%	-24%
	Felony 3	19	36	Felony 3	13	32	46%	13%	Felony 3	6	36	217%	0%
	SJF	44	36	SJF	40	32	10%	13%	SJF	19	29	132%	24%
	12.8% Total Arrests			15.10%					7.90%				
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>186%</b>	<b>-8%</b>
Family Related	Class A	44	32	Class A	36	35	22%	-9%	Class A	20	34	120%	-6%
	Class B	1	24	Class B	0 N/C	~	~	~	Class B	0 N/C	~	~	~
	Class C	1	26	Class C	2	23	-50%	13%	Class C	11	34	-91%	-24%
	Felony 1	3	34	Felony 1	5	34	-40%	0%	Felony 1	2	52	50%	-35%
	Felony 2	0	0	Felony 2	0 N/C	~	~	~	Felony 2	0 N/C	~	~	~
	Felony 3	12	33	Felony 3	10	32	20%	3%	Felony 3	4	34	200%	-3%
	SJF	1	27	SJF	2	43	-50%	-37%	SJF	1	25	0%	8%
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>-25%</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>63%</b>	<b>-30%</b>
Theft Involved	Class A	14	32	Class A	15	31	-7%	3%	Class A	10	33	40%	-3%
	Class B	51	24	Class B	41	33	24%	-27%	Class B	58	31	-12%	-23%
	Class C	13	26	Class C	11	27	18%	-4%	Class C	3	27	333%	-4%
	Felony 1	0 N/C		Felony 1	0 N/C	~	~	~	Felony 1	1	39	-100%	~
	Felony 2	0 N/C		Felony 2	0 N/C	~	~	~	Felony 2	0 N/C	~	~	~
	Felony 3	2	27	Felony 3	2	39	0%	-31%	Felony 3	1	36	100%	-25%
	SJF	12	27	SJF	16	32	-25%	-16%	SJF	11	28	9%	-4%
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>-16%</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>-16%</b>

"SJF" are State Jail Felony violations of Texas Penal Code. "Non-Reportable" category includes State and Federal charges which may not directly relate to a criminal offense. Examples include: Parole Violation, Immigration Hold, and certain Status Offenders.

Only the highest level of offense charged is represented in this table per each individual arrest, with REPEAT OFFENDERS accounting for 11.6% of all arrests. (Data prior to 2013 was unavailable for this table due to incompatible record management system data sets).

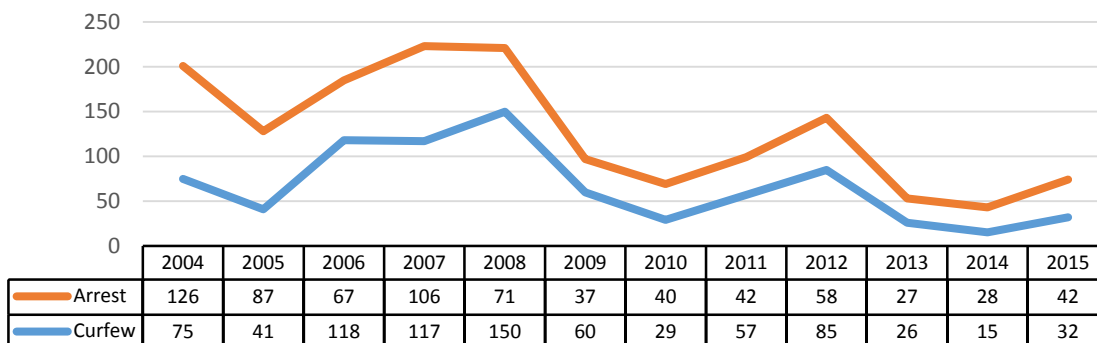
The statistics in this table reflect only custodial arrests and may or may not have resulted in prosecution or the disposition thereof.

## Crime Statistics and Activity (continued)

Trendline of Juvenile Curfew Arrest and Citation activity information

### Juvenile Curfew and Related Arrests

(Source: Mineral Wells Municipal Court 2004-2015)



Citizens Calls for Service Received (2015)

Select "CALL-TYPES" Below														Average Response Times				
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	Call-Taker	Que-Time	Drive-Time	On-Scene	Total Time
All Retrieved Calls-For-Service	1015	872	1059	1020	1047	1082	1422	1306	1084	1129	1139	1102	13277	0:01:41	0:13:49	0:04:49	0:29:35	0:49:55
Abandoned Vehicle	0	1	1	0	0	5	5	4	1	6	1	4	28	0:00:08	0:07:34	0:06:41	0:18:47	0:33:10
Aggravated Assault	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0:00:00	0:00:00	0:00:00	0:00:00	0:00:00
ACCIDENT-HIT AND RUN	11	3	12	15	12	13	6	11	11	10	11	8	123	0:00:10	0:10:33	0:05:00	1:12:23	1:28:05
ACCIDENT-MAJOR	1	3	2	0	4	0	2	2	0	1	2	1	18	0:00:10	0:02:27	0:04:19	1:31:55	1:38:50
ACCIDENT-MINOR	30	28	32	33	41	34	38	16	20	25	23	21	341	0:00:31	0:04:29	0:05:13	0:57:40	1:07:54
ANIMAL BITE	3	4	3	5	5	2	2	5	2	1	1	1	34	0:00:10	0:12:30	0:08:19	0:36:52	0:57:52
ANIMAL COMPLAINT	55	34	62	51	69	49	51	47	60	40	47	62	627	0:00:14	0:36:55	0:05:05	0:13:26	0:55:39
ASSAULT	8	9	15	9	19	14	21	20	20	24	17	11	187	0:00:11	0:07:13	0:05:57	1:23:10	1:36:31
ASSAULT-SEXUAL	1	4	0	1	0	2	4	5	0	2	2	4	25	0:00:04	0:12:11	0:07:33	1:35:02	1:54:50
ASSIST MOTORIST/CITIZEN	2	1	3	0	2	6	1	6	1	0	1	3	26	0:00:20	0:02:00	0:03:50	0:16:46	0:22:56
BURGLAR ALARM-AUDIBLE	57	43	37	72	56	49	53	47	50	59	37	37	597	0:00:07	0:02:31	0:03:24	0:07:47	0:13:49
BURGLAR ALARM-SILENT	15	13	13	16	18	24	8	8	11	12	18	11	167	0:02:17	0:02:39	0:03:27	0:09:07	0:17:30
BURGLARY IN PROGRESS	4	3	6	1	2	2	5	4	8	3	6	9	53	0:00:13	0:01:43	0:02:57	0:38:19	0:43:12
BURGLARY INVESTIGATION	19	17	32	13	22	15	59	29	24	20	35	33	318	0:00:08	0:15:59	0:06:21	1:10:40	1:33:07
CITY ORDINANCE VIOLATION-O	10	18	34	30	34	25	43	19	25	29	28	40	335	0:00:53	0:13:26	0:05:13	0:09:56	0:29:27
CIVIL STANDBY	7	5	4	7	6	6	8	11	6	6	6	6	78	0:00:10	0:06:22	0:06:35	0:29:11	0:42:18
COMMUNITY REALATIONS/MOTC	6	3	9	9	7	17	5	7	3	14	7	10	97	0:00:11	0:07:05	0:04:52	0:20:07	0:32:16
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF	13	3	28	28	19	17	30	15	14	8	15	21	211	0:00:11	0:13:21	0:06:34	1:01:18	1:21:23
CRIMINAL TRESPASS	11	10	19	28	15	23	18	10	18	17	12	11	192	0:00:08	0:06:18	0:04:52	0:30:54	0:42:12
DEMENTED PERSON	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	4	0	0	1	0	7	0:00:26	0:04:31	0:03:20	0:35:40	0:43:56
DISTURBANCE	88	72	65	95	58	69	78	80	67	74	73	56	875	0:00:09	0:04:10	0:04:11	0:26:08	0:34:38
DISTURBANCE-DOMESTIC	39	32	39	39	38	26	20	39	24	34	27	38	395	0:00:10	0:02:21	0:03:29	0:38:10	0:44:10
DWI	6	1	4	5	4	4	1	1	0	3	4	2	35	0:00:06	0:01:23	0:02:59	0:51:07	0:55:34
ESCORT	19	13	15	15	8	17	18	18	19	14	8	18	182	0:00:08	0:49:22	0:04:28	0:26:29	1:20:28
FIGHT	4	2	9	9	7	2	5	10	4	9	9	3	73	0:00:09	0:01:01	0:02:37	0:26:28	0:30:16
FORGERY	5	7	8	7	5	4	5	5	2	8	6	7	69	0:00:21	0:09:27	0:04:49	1:18:04	1:32:42
GENERAL INFORMATION	72	77	77	110	97	97	116	92	101	89	98	90	1116	0:00:09	0:10:30	0:04:52	0:36:44	0:52:14
HARASSMENT	14	15	17	18	17	13	15	26	21	17	15	19	207	0:00:08	0:16:53	0:06:07	0:42:13	1:05:20
HOUSE/BUSINESS CHECK	140	123	129	27	32	148	358	351	224	220	267	189	2208	0:08:52	0:32:52	0:05:35	0:04:37	0:51:56
MISSING PERSON	2	4	4	1	2	5	5	2	4	1	7	1	38	0:00:07	0:06:11	0:05:35	0:50:01	1:01:54
PROWLER	1	1	1	3	4	0	1	10	3	4	3	3	34	0:00:11	0:01:56	0:04:45	0:09:28	0:16:20
PUBLIC INTOXICATION	5	4	0	1	6	0	2	2	2	5	3	5	35	0:00:05	0:01:35	0:04:27	0:42:24	0:48:31
ROBBERY	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0:00:14	0:04:21	0:04:22	1:36:03	1:45:01
SHOTS HEARD	9	3	5	4	7	3	3	8	9	5	4	7	67	0:00:12	0:04:56	0:03:49	0:10:13	0:19:11
STOLEN VEHICLE	8	5	8	5	12	22	7	15	5	9	11	7	114	0:00:08	0:09:02	0:05:47	1:18:23	1:33:20
SUICIDE/ATTEMPT	1	3	1	5	0	1	3	6	2	2	2	2	28	0:00:16	0:03:38	0:04:31	0:32:27	0:40:53
SUSPICIOUS PERSON/VEHICLE	101	79	78	87	104	91	137	99	100	96	87	99	1158	0:00:09	0:05:34	0:03:39	0:17:52	0:27:14
THEFT	46	50	57	64	53	72	70	61	59	48	60	78	718	0:00:08	0:12:53	0:05:57	1:10:39	1:29:37
WELFARE CHECK	50	42	55	69	71	50	67	71	37	50	42	34	638	0:00:22	0:08:41	0:04:45	0:15:40	0:29:28
WRECKLESS DRIVER	0	0	0	1	1	1	5	6	3	0	3	1	21	0:00:07	0:03:54	0:05:06	0:08:42	0:17:49
Sub Totals:	863	736	885	883	857	929	1275	1172	960	965	1000	952	11477	0:01:54	0:14:51	0:04:53	0:28:14	0:49:52

## Training and Professional Standards

### Training Summary

The Mineral Wells Police Department takes an active role in ensuring all of its employees receive professional, proficient and quality training. This training allows employees to gain knowledge and skills needed to provide all citizens with the best service available.

In order for a police officer or telecommunicator to remain licensed by the State of Texas, they must have completed a minimum of 40 hours of continuing education in a two-year period through the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE). In 2015, our officers and telecommunicators received an average of 41.2 hours of continuing education.

### Use of Force Summary

- Use of Force Reports Filed - 13
- Number of suspects injured during use of force incidents – 1
  - o Age of suspects: Range of 21-36 years old (average age 23)
- Number of suspects fatally injured during use of force incidents – 0
- Number of officers injured during use of force incidents – 1
- Resistance used by suspects:
  - o Active resistance
  - o High-risk arrest
  - o Combative
  - o Display of a knife
  - o Subject under influence
  - o Display of a firearm
- Breakdown of officers' defensive weapons by type:
  - o Soft empty hand techniques
  - o Hand gun displayed
  - o Hard empty hand techniques
  - o Pressure point control
  - o Taser displayed techniques
  - o Taser deployed
- Internal Affairs complaints filed on use of force incidents – 0

### Internal Affairs Investigations / Complaints

In accordance with Departmental General Order ADM-06 the following statistical information is provided based upon records of the professional standards.

- Number of Internal Affairs Investigations – 9
- Number of Employees Complained Against – 8
- Investigative Findings\* (some investigations had more than one accusation):
  - Exonerated: 1
  - Unfounded: 0
  - Sustained: 7
  - Not Sustained: 1

#### \*DEFINITIONS

Exonerated: Incident complained of occurred but was lawful and proper.

Unfounded: Allegation is false or not factual.

Sustained: The allegation is supported by sufficient evidence.

Not Sustained: Insufficient evidence to either prove or disprove the allegation.

## 2015 Year in Review

### 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter – January thru March

The Department began the New Year focused on the goals and objectives in our strategic plan as our officers continued their efforts to make Mineral Wells safe. These efforts are directed to assist our citizens, friends, and neighbors realize a better quality of life. That included one of our “furry” friends found lost or abandoned.



With a historic drought having everyone concerned with the future water needs of the community, Mother Nature in Texas did not disappoint as the area was blanketed with an unusually heavy snow fall. But the weather elements never stop the officers from their assigned tasks to keep citizens safe.



The Department participated in the Great Texas Warrant Roundup for a third year to aid in clearing some of the Municipal Court’s backlog.



During the roundup, the Department partnered with area law enforcement agencies to bring to justice persons with unresolved municipal warrants and issues. Through these

efforts, more than 200 outstanding warrants were cleared from the Mineral Wells Municipal Court and almost \$60,000.00 collected.

As Spring quickly approached, PROJECT 365 received a tremendous boost when the Texas Baptists’

Youth Ministry group “BOUNCE!” announced



they were coming to town to lend a hand with some of the homes identified in the target area that were in need of some extra TLC.

We were blessed once again with the support of Pray Mineral Wells with their 2015 Mission Mineral Wells Project 365 Prayer Walk and Neighborhood Clean-up.



In their 3<sup>rd</sup> year mission, this group has picked up almost 100 tons of trash and debris, served nearly 1,000 residents, and lent their prayers to our cumulative efforts to make Mineral Wells safe.



## 2015 Year in Review (continued)

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter – April thru June

Perilous excitement, heroism, and the unpredictable weather proved to be prevalent themes as we closed out the 1<sup>st</sup> and moved into the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter.

A young child was playing when he fell 40 feet down a water well outside of a vacant home. A caring neighbor heard the child and called for help before descending down the hole. An officer was nearby by when the call for help came in and quickly found himself in a life-saving situation as he and the neighbor attempted to stabilize the child until additional help was on scene.

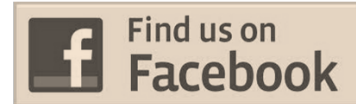


Fortunately, the child survived and that neighbor along with first responders were honored for their selfless heroism in saving the child's life.



*Mineral Wells Mayor Mike Allen, far left, presents Christopher Hicks, 911 Telecommunicator Deborah Mallory and Police Officer Dustin Holden with proclamations honoring them for their actions that helped save a child, 9, from a water well. Also, Officer Holden received a Life Saving honor from the American Police Hall of Fame.*

The Mineral Wells Police Department's Facebook page launched and has proven to be a valuable tool in communicating, educating, and alerting folks to the goings on and important information you need to know. As popularity quickly grew, more than 3,000 followers are in the know. Find us, Like us, Follow us, TODAY!



Connecting with the community proved to be ever important during the storm season. CODERED is another outreach service the Department provides for our citizens to receive advanced alert and warnings. Heavy rain left many heeding the flood warnings issued by this system, but little did we know just how important those warnings would be during that storm.



On May 20<sup>th</sup>, an EF-1 Tornado struck the heart of our city, doing significant damage and testing the resolve of first responders and citizens alike. Working together, City services, area law enforcement and fire departments, and 4<sup>th</sup> responders worked quickly to restore some semblance of normalcy back in the community. While overall repairs stretched to months, the initial incident stabilized in record time. Most importantly, no serious injuries were reported.





## 2015 Year in Review (continued)

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter – July thru September

Attention focused on emerging crime issues prevalent in the area during the summer months. The Department joined the “Lock, Take, Hide” public awareness campaign, sponsored by the Tarrant Regional Auto Crimes Task Force, to alert citizens to the risk of motor vehicle break-ins and how to prevent becoming a victim of this opportunistic crime.



Through the Texas Child Safety Fund, the Department partnered with the Mineral Wells I.S.D. and Palo Pinto County officials to install flashing warning lights at the school zone in front of Travis Elementary. Through this partnership, we hope to install additional flashing school zone lights at other campuses as funding becomes available.



During the summer months when the kids are out of school is a great time to come tour the department to help us educate children about our job and function in the community.



Thanks to the Walmart in Mineral Wells for their generous donation of child safety seats just in time for school. Walmart has been an awesome partner and especially helpful as a resource.



The end of summer also brought technology improvements as the department unveiled the latest release from the North Texas Council of Governments. Through enhancements to the traditional 9-1-1 service provided in our area, you can now TEXT 9-1-1 from any cellular, smart phone, or other app device.



## 2015 Year in Review (continued)

### 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter – October thru December



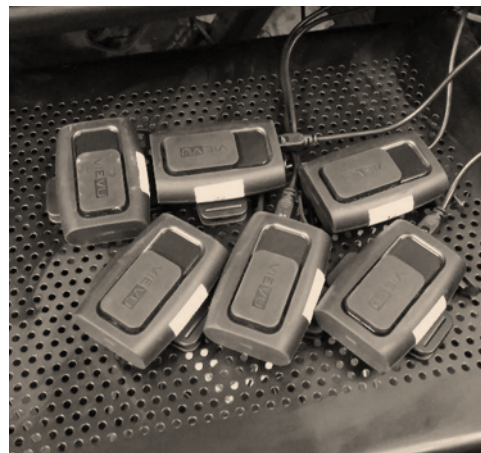
This year's National Night Out celebration was special as law enforcement official from around the area gathered together with our community partners to recognize all of our accomplishments thus far. This year's theme, "Back the Blue", really resonated among the revelers as we experienced an outpouring of community support. Thank you to everyone who supports this Department and all of the men and women in law enforcement.



Halloween is always a special time around town as officers are out patrolling the neighborhoods and helping keep our little "Trick or Treaters" safe.



We closed out the year with one last improvement to our technological resources. The Department acquired 10 body cameras for our front line officers to wear as part of our overall transparency and openness under Community Policing. These cameras take state of the art HD quality images and provide an objective view of an officer's activity and surroundings when interacting with members of the public.



## Accolades

### 2015 Officer of the Year



Mayor Allen presents **Officer Justin Stine** with the **2015 Officer of the Year Award**.

### Craig Crawford Award for 2015



Mayor Allen presents **Sergeant Patrick Adams** with the **Craig Crawford Memorial Award**.



In 2015, Mineral Wells, Texas was recognized by NICHE as one of their "TOP 100" Best Places to Live in Texas. And the community also placed in the "TOP 100" Safest Towns in Texas. Both of these accomplishments were made possible through the hard work and effort of the caring citizens in our community and the dedication of the hard working men and women of the Mineral Wells Police Department. Congratulations to everyone involved!

## Year in Review:

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*Thank you all for helping make Mineral Wells a GREAT place to work, live, and play.*

*Stay safe.*



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